## **Other Human Services**

	2014/15 Actual	2015/16 Current	2016/17 Requested	2016/17 Approved	Percent Change
Revenues					
General Fund	\$106,150	\$138,500	\$138,500	\$239,850	73%
Total	\$106,150	\$138,500	\$138,500	\$239,850	73%
Expenses					
Medical Examiner	\$106,150	\$138,500	\$138,500	\$239,850	73%
Total	\$106,150	\$138,500	\$138,500	\$239,850	73%

Organization: 510050

## **Budget Highlights**

The budget includes a \$101,350 increase to cover the cost of state-mandated Medical Examiner and autopsy fees. The General Assembly increased the medical examiner fee from \$100 to \$200 and autopsy fees from \$1,250 to 1,750 in Fiscal Year 2015/16. Additionally, the number of autopsies Catawba County is required to fund has increased in each of the last two years.

Per North Carolina General Statutes, fees for the Medical Examiner and autopsies currently are as follows:

- 130A-387 For each investigation and prompt filing of the required report, the medical examiner shall receive a fee paid by the State. However, if the deceased is a resident of the county in which the death or fatal injury occurred, that county shall pay the fee. The fee shall be \$200.
- 130A-389 A fee for the autopsy or other study shall be paid by the State. However, if the deceased is a resident of the county in which the death or fatal injury occurred, that county shall pay the fee. The fee shall be \$1,750.